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This application is filed on behalf of a large entity.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(b), a check in the amount of \$500.00 is attached herewith to cover the filing fee for this Notice of Appeal.

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